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A BABY BREAKS ITS NECK

Tides in the Potomac River Wash the Wharves Away—The New Electric Railway Will Be Built Without Stafford's Subscription.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 6.—The freezing weather of the past two days and nights has done great damage to fruit and early vegetables in this section. The thermometer was down below the freezing point last night and the night before, and experienced judges say there is no hope for the peach crop. Mrs. James L. Reed, of Westmoreland county, walked down to the creek from her house a few days ago, leaving her eighteen-month-old child asleep on the bed. A short time afterwards she sent one of her children to awaken and dress the child and bring it to her, but upon arriving at the house it was found that the baby had awakened during the absence of its mother, had fallen off the bed and was lying dead on the floor, its neck having been broken by the fall.

ROAD WILL BE BUILT.
It is now said that the Fredericksburg and Rappahannock Electric Railway will be built notwithstanding the refusal of Stafford county to contribute \$50,000 to the capital stock. A meeting of the stockholders was held a few days ago and it is stated that they were much pleased with the favorable outlook.

Owing to heavy rains and high winds the trees on the Potomac River have been higher than for years, and much damage was done to wharf property. At Lynch's Point a part of the wharf was swept away and a quantity of lumber and shingles was carried off on the tide. Owing to the prominence with which the smallpox case, which broke out in a railroad camp in Culpeper county, was isolated, no further damage is expected from the disease.

The homestead of the late Dr. S. R. McClanahan, of Culpeper county, has been purchased by Mr. Luther Payne, of Bristerburg.

WEDDING.
Mr. James M. Weaver, a well known merchant of Culpeper county, was married a few days ago in Staffordshire, W. Va., to Miss Sarah Ethel Bayne, of that place. It is believed that the residence of Mrs. Dunbar, Prince William county, which was recently burned, was set on fire. Two trunks had been left in the house, a few hours before the fire and were refused. Suspicion points to them.

DAMAGE IN BEDFORD

All Fruit Except Winter Apples Believed to Have Been Killed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BEDFORD CITY, VA., April 6.—The freeze of Saturday night has practically destroyed the fruit crop of Bedford, with the exception of winter apples. Heavy ice formed in the streets, and the scene was one of winter. The peach, pear, and other blossoms were blasted and the hearts of the strawberries that were blooming profusely are now black and lifeless. Winter apples were just beginning to bloom. So far little injury is reported. At 10 o'clock Sunday night the alarm of fire was sounded and the two unused, tumble-down buildings at the foot of Depot Hill were found blazing. These old houses, belonging to Mr. W. H. McGhee, had recently been condemned by the Council and their removal ordered. Three attempts were made to wreck them by dynamite by some unknown parties last month, and it is generally conceded the houses were set on fire. The fire department gave the most attention toward saving the adjoining property.

THE FRUIT KILLED

The Temperature Below the Freezing Point at Manassas.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MANASSAS, VA., April 6.—The cold snap Saturday night and Sunday morning killed nearly all the fruit in this section. With the fruit trees in full bloom and the thermometer at 25, it is not likely that much fruit was left. The Southern Railway has nearly completed grading up to this point from Alexandria, and the new double track is now being laid.

The farmers in this section have made but little progress with their plowing, owing to the continued wet weather. Mr. William N. Lipscomb will shortly begin the erection of a handsome store building on the lot owned by him at the corner of Center and Main Streets.

FROST IN HANOVER

Fruit Injured and Tobacco, Where Not Covered, Was Killed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MONTPELIER, VA., April 6.—A heavy frost formed here last night, and ice was at least half an inch thick. Much of the fruit is undoubtedly killed, and it is thought that the wheat crop is injured. All the tobacco plants not under cover were killed.

The farmers are backward in their spring work, owing to the recent heavy rains. But few of the schools in Hanover have closed, as most of them will be run six months.

Great interest is being taken in the local option election to be held in this county on April 21th.

WIND SAVED FRUIT

New Telephone Line and a Bridge Badly Needed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MANTO, VA., April 6.—A thirty-mile wind, following a night rain, thrifted away Saturday morning, and Saturday night the temperature at 5 o'clock was thirty-one degrees. Sunday morning the ground was frozen, and yet, though the wind had died out during the night, fruit trees in blossom do not seem to have been harmed by the cold. In fact, the apple trees in this locality, at least, make one desirous of no more such nights.

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Mr. Thomas B. Hall, of this county, has been collecting subscribers for the Potomac and James River Valley Telephone Company, a local line up from Whitehall, in this county, and from a private line in the city. It is reasonably certain that we will shortly be in communication with the Courthouse and the district intervening.

This line, as projected, will terminate here, and in the event of its installation, it is believed that a Western Union telegraph office will be installed. As things now are the people have to either go to Warminster to telegraph, where there is only a private ferry, or to Howardville, where the ferry is also private, both places in which being some miles distant. This condition is peculiarly unpleasant when it is known that more freight is received and shipped from this station than any other one on the line, save Whitehall.

For some months a persistent rumor has from time to time been in circulation concerning the possibility of a rural delivery of mail being started, and while some are desirous that it be established, others are equally anxious that it not be. The only reason for not desiring it is that I have heard that now we have an opportunity of sending our mails by way of Buckingham Courthouse, when high water prevents crossing to the trains here, and so enables us to get letters to Richmond or elsewhere with only one day's delay, while with rural delivery, the mail will remain in the Mantie office until the river falls sufficiently to cross. I learned to-day that Mr. C. T. Johnson, of Whitehall, in this county, who has been sick several weeks, is but little, if any better. His daughter, Mrs. James Mundy, is improving after two months' illness.

ICE IN HALIFAX

Fruit Trees Were in Full Bloom and Crop Is Destroyed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SCOTTSBURG, VA., April 6.—The present cold snap has destroyed the promising fruit crops of this section of Southside Virginia. The trees were in full bloom and the weather was sufficiently cold to make ice on the small ponds. Mr. D. B. Easley, one of the best citizens, as well as one of the most prominent farmers of Halifax, has just returned from a three months' stay in the Valley of Virginia, in a much improved condition of health.

Hon. J. T. Lacy, a member of the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives, is spending a few days at his family.

TOBACCO UNDER COVER

Clover Injured and Strawberries Damaged—Revival Services.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SOUTH BOSTON, VA., April 6.—Yesterday morning on tubs of water on northern exposures ice was nearly one-fourth of an inch thick. Nearly all of the fruit is killed outright. That which yet remains, apparently uninjured, will, it is believed, fall off in a few days. Clover was badly injured. Strawberries are badly damaged. Tobacco plants were under cover and are reported not hurt. Rev. J. W. Widman, pastor of the Baptist Church, commenced services at his church last night, which will continue during the week. In the absence of the rector there will be no services at Trinity Episcopal Church during Holy Week.

Mrs. J. J. Lawson is ill at her home.

Freeze in Louisa.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LOUISA, VA., April 6.—The thermometer stood at 27 degrees here Sunday morning, and ice was found one-quarter of an inch thick, the ground being heavily covered. The fruit must be all killed. Early corn in gardens was out in the ground, and the tobacco plants, which are feared, where they were not under canvas.

Frost in Buckingham.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
GRAVELLY HILL, VA., April 6.—A very heavy frost here Saturday night. The fruit-crop is about all ruined. There may be some late apples left. Ice formed from a half to one inch thick.

INCENDIARY IN FARMVILLE

Unique Whiskey Situation Sull Confusion—The Town Divided.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, VA., April 6.—Fire early Saturday morning destroyed the dwelling known as the Payne residence, in the east end of the town, the property of the Farmville Building and Trust Company. The origin is unknown, but is thought to have been the work of an incendiary. The house was unoccupied.

The alarm of fire yesterday between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock was occasioned by a slight blaze in a negro dwelling near the colored Baptist Church. The unique condition of the whiskey situation in Farmville is still the one topic of conversation. A petition to a guide for the Town Council to act by is being carried around to-day. The Council does not feel at liberty to open a dispensary in the town until they get the sentiment of the people. There are a great many who were not in favor of a dispensary so long as there was a chance of having the saloon, but prefer a dispensary to a dry town. One of the petitions is opposing the dispensary, and another for. The Council will meet Tuesday night, the 14th instant, and their action, so far as the opening of a dispensary is concerned, will depend altogether upon the petitions being carried around to-day. The saloon here last Saturday was numerous, but where the whiskey came from no one seems to know. It is reported five gallons of it came from Burkeville and was distributed among the negro population.

PEACH CROP IS KILLED

Heavy Loss to Growers in Princess Anne County.

IRISH POTATOES INJURED

High Tides Swamp the Road to Knott's Island and the Mail Carrier Could Not Make His Regular Trip. Preachers Are Out Off.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BLOSSOM HILL, VA., April 6.—The recent cold wave, accompanied with high winds, heavy rains and very high tides, and finally such a change in the atmosphere as to produce ice on the water and cause a crust of ice on the ground, has had a very depressing effect on the farmers of this section.

The peach crop, which has in many respects become a very important one, is considered to be almost, if not entirely, out. Such a loss will be keenly felt, for the peach crop is a source of considerable revenue, and many farmers were adding largely to their orchards. The lands of this section are well adapted to the culture of fruit of all kinds, and especially of the peach, which commands the highest prices on the markets and is pronounced in all respects first-class. The loss will be quite heavy and the fruit greatly missed in the cities.

POTATOES IN BAD WAY.

The heavy rains have had the effect of injuring the Irish potato crop, which, in many instances, is rotting, and a "bad stand" is generally predicted. The Irish potato is on hand, and is eating off the new plants as fast as they make their appearance. One old farmer told your correspondent the other day that "the bugs" were even standing over the holes where they had eaten the Irish potato sprouts off, and were winking at the sprouts to come up, so they could renew their feast and again eat them off. The recent weather, which has had the effect of raising the waters of Back Bay, to such an extent that Knott's Island is cut off from the main land, except by boat, and a great inconvenience is the result. The road leading to Knott's Island, which is about four miles long, is across a marsh, which separates Back Bay from Currituck Sound. It is said to be completely covered with water, and in some places the water is from two to three feet deep on the road. The mail, which is carried from Munden Point, Va., to Knott's Island, by private conveyance, could not make its regular trip on Saturday.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the M. E. Church was to have been held on Knott's Island last Saturday and Sunday, but did not convene on account of the condition of the road, and a general disappointment was the result. The ministers, Rev. J. Powell Garland and J. B. Phaup, presiding elder and preacher in charge of this circuit, made the attempt to cross the road and hold the quarterly meeting, but the risk was too great, and they returned to the home of Mr. John E. Moore, which is very near the "marsh road." Back Bay from Currituck Sound, which is considered with some reason the feasibility of attempting the trip, but Dr. Garland could not be persuaded to leave "terra firma" until the waters had very much receded, which was conceded to be good, sound logic.

Body Identified.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ALEXANDRIA, VA., April 6.—The body which was found floating in the Potomac off Alexandria Saturday was positively identified as that of Thaddeus Baden, of No. 1320 Twelfth Street, Northwest, Washington, a former employee in the Government Printing Office. The remains were removed to Washington and buried to-day. It is stated that about two weeks ago Mr. Baden mysteriously disappeared from home, but the police were not notified as his family hoped to have him return without unpleasant notoriety. He is survived by a widow and four children. The theory of suicide is discredited by them, who hold the belief that he met death accidentally.

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The first intimation that trouble would likely occur was reported by Mayor Blanton by Mr. C. G. Dillon, who, in citizen's clothes, was doing police duty that night. Mr. Dillon says: "Shortly after 11 o'clock a tall white man with sandy mustache approached him and commenced to make inquiry about Mr. Ligon, the regular police man after expiring to Mr. Dillon how Conductor Robertson was shot told him that he had come 35 miles, and that there would be some trouble here to-night. Just then a freight train came in, and on it were about 25 or 30 persons. Whether they were black or white is not known. Mr. Dillon reported his conversation with the stranger in full to Mayor Blanton, and the Mayor, Mr. J. L. Hart and the policeman went at once to Mr. Hart's office, where they discussed the matter. Judge Crute was phoned and the facts told to him. He immediately came down town. It was then getting late, and parties of strangers are reported to have been seen in different parts of the town. Now and then a pistol shot was heard in the east and western part of the town, and the authorities were of the opinion that it was the signal for the assembly."

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INJURED, BUT NOT KILLED

Tidewater Farmers Thankful Over Results of Frost.

FINE YACHTS IN HARBOR

Rev. Dr. V. McFaden Has Nervous Prostration While in the Pulpit. Suit for Damages Because Assaulted and Abused.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., April 6.—The early crops of strawberries, potatoes, beans, peas and cucumbers were badly injured by the cold weather of Saturday night and again last night. Ice formed both nights. The farmers are congratulating themselves, however, on the fact that the crops were not entirely killed.

While they are badly blighted, they will recover from the blight. Two of the handsomest yachts of the New York Yacht Club were in Norfolk harbor to-day—the Kanawha, owned by H. H. Rodgers, acting president of the Standard Oil Company, and the Tuscarora, owned by Walter Jennings, also of the Standard Oil Company.

The Kanawha, commanded by Captain Miller, with her owner, Colonel Rice, Mr. Rodgers and other New Yorkers aboard, is bound from New York to the West Indies. The Tuscarora, captained this afternoon and will leave in the morning for a trip up the James River. Two yachts were spent in cruising about Baltimore and Washington, and then the yacht, which has been in West Indian waters during the winter, will return to New York.

MINISTER PROSTRATED.
Rev. Dr. V. McFaden, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, last night. He was about to finish an eloquent sermon on the New Jerusalem, when nervous energy failed him and he was prostrated. His condition was secured at once, so that relief was quick.

Dr. McFaden is still suffering from nervous prostration, due to many services and overwork, but he is a stronger to-day. J. H. Gurganza, of Portsmouth, N. C., who was held in jail here for several days on the charge of absconding to escape the payment of his debts, has been released on an assignment of his property for the benefit of his creditors.

SUIT FOR HEAVY DAMAGES.

Charles H. Todd's case attracted a number of spectators to the Court of Law and Chancery this morning. He sues the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Company for \$5,000 damages. The allegations of the plaintiff are that he was assaulted and abused for not paying a fare on the railway that the company had no right to charge. A fight and abusive language followed, and the conductor attempted to take him off on the ferry-boat, when he did not wish to go. There are a great number of witnesses, including the train and boat conductors and the passengers who saw the altercation in regard to the ticket and saw the fight which followed. The trial occupied Judge W. B. Martin and a jury all day. This is the first case Judge Martin has had since he came to the bench. Mr. James has been here only about four months. He was formerly connected with the Norfolk and Western.

Died in Bed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ORANGE, VA., April 6.—Mr. H. W. James, agent of the Southern Railway at Orange, died at his home here to-day early Sunday morning. Mr. James' home was in Norfolk, and his remains were taken there for burial Monday evening. He was about fifty years of age, and unmarried. Mr. James had been here only about four months. He was formerly connected with the Norfolk and Western.

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COULD NOT HEAR TRAIN

Deaf Citizen of Chesterfield Killed on Track.

MR. THOMPSON MANGLED

Though Facing Incoming Train, Neither Saw or Heard Its Approach—Good Roads Meeting Called—Robbery at Chester—Other Notes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHESTER, VA., April 6.—Sunday morning about 11 o'clock Mr. George W. Thompson, an elderly citizen, living near Bellwood's, was killed while walking the Seaboard Air Line track. Mr. Thompson was seventy-two years old, and came here from the North a number of years ago, and was quite deaf. He had ordered some oats to be put in Bellwood's Siding for the shipment of wood, and Sunday morning he thought he would walk there—a short distance from his home—and see if the cars were in, and while walking in a cut, and where the road curves in Bellwood's farm, near the turnpike, going towards Richmond, he met the Seaboard Air Line 10:10 o'clock train from Richmond. The engineer gave the danger signals and put on the air brakes as soon as possible, but was too near him when the danger was seen to stop, and struck him full in the chest, breaking ribs, both arms and legs and crushing his skull.

The train held up after running past him, and on examination by the crew he was found to be dead. The body was sent to his home, and his body being thrown forward about sixty feet and prostrate in the ditch.

THE INQUEST.
A porter was left in the engine and Justice G. E. Robertson, at Chester, was notified, who immediately went to the scene by the electric road and held a formal inquest. The jury simply rendered the decision that the deceased came to his death by being run over by the Seaboard engine, the porter testifying to that fact.

Dr. J. P. Ragland was present and examined the remains, and rendered his verdict. Mr. Thompson was known to be deaf, but had good sight, and the only way to account for the remarkable accident is the idea that walking to the cold wind of yesterday morning, Mr. Thompson must have had his head bowed over, and neither heard or saw the engine. Mrs. Thompson was notified by the magistrate, who was prostrated by the sad news, and neighbors took charge of the body to prepare it for burial. Their only son, Mr. Warren Thompson, had just gone to Massachusetts to take charge of a construction force a day or two before the accident. The widow was alone, but will be kindly looked after by neighbors.

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